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I. EU Conference "Advancement of Treatments for Rare Diseases"

Rare Diseases affect over 30 million people in the EU, posing major challenges in diagnosis, treatment, and equitable access to care. The conference will highlight the goal of making Europe “*the global beacon for life sciences by 2030*”, support concrete health benefits to Rare Disease patients, through better prevention, diagnosis and treatment.

This high-level conference, within the context of the Cyprus Presidency of the Council of the European Union, brings together key stakeholders to strengthen collaboration, foster innovation, and accelerate progress in the development and accessibility of treatments for Rare Diseases. The conference aims to strengthen collaboration, foster innovation, and drive development in the field of Rare Disease management.

All participants must be registered and accredited in advance via the Cyprus Presidency’s online Accreditation Platform, as required by the Cyprus Presidency of the Council of the EU 2026. Each participant needs to create an individual account, with their own chosen credentials (email and password), validate their account and then register themselves using the individual access code for the meeting / conference received by email. Please note that in order to receive the individual access code, please email RESEARCH-CY2026EU@dmrid.gov.cy no later than **11/02/2026**. In your email, please indicate if you are a speaker/panellist, a participant from Cyprus or a participant from abroad to receive the appropriate individual access code.

Registration deadline: **11 February 2026**

Date: **5-6 March 2026**

Venue: **Lefkosia (Nicosia)**

For more information, please click [Here](#).

II. AI-driven small molecules drug discovery – IUPHAR-Elsevier webinar

The International Union of Basic and Clinical Pharmacology (IUPHAR) is pleased to announce the next webinar in the Pharmacology Education Initiative series, which is a collaborative educational program from Elsevier in partnership with IUPHAR to provide and disseminate free high-quality pharmacology content to students and researchers worldwide.

Artificial intelligence (AI) helps solve problems in various fields, including drug discovery, through its capability to process and analyze large amounts of data in a short period of time. AI-aided drug screening is less time-consuming and less expensive compared to experimental trial-and-error-based screening. Using an AI-based framework that learns the relationship between the structures of small molecules and their biological properties offers new perspectives on molecular design. This presentation introduces the use of multiple machine learning models to predict biological activities based on molecular representations, such as molecular fingerprints and line notations of molecular structures. This method is highly effective for molecular design across many targets. The accuracy of the models was assessed using error metrics and R-squared values relative to experimental IC₅₀ values. The models were then applied to virtual screening to identify top candidates, and their binding affinities to viral protein targets were validated using molecular modelling techniques.

Date: **19 February 2026, 11:00 AM UTC**

Venue: **Online**

You may read more about the event [Here](#).

III. AI disclosure in research: towards a global reporting standard

Transparency about the use of AI in research articles and other scholarly outputs is an important aspect of research integrity. At present, policies and practices for how to disclose AI use vary widely across disciplines, regions and publication cultures. Many publishers have begun introducing their own disclosure requirements. These developments underscore the need for a shared, global understanding of how AI contributions should be disclosed in research.

To address this need, the World Conference on Research Integrity Foundation (WCRIF), the International Science Council (ISC), the Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE), the Association of Scientific, Technical and Medical Publishers (STM) and the Global Young Academy (GYA) have taken the joint initiative to work toward a Global Reporting Standard for AI Disclosure in Research. Such a standard would help align expectations across the research ecosystem, make disclosure practices more consistent and comparable, and facilitate implementation by publishers, institutions and researchers. By harmonizing AI disclosure, we hope to support transparency, reduce uncertainty among authors, and ultimately strengthen research integrity.

We invite ISC Members and the broader research community to share their input through the survey below by 28 February 2026. Your contribution is essential to building a shared, global understanding of AI disclosure in research, and to ensuring that this standard is both meaningful and workable across the diversity of the global research ecosystem.

Deadline: **28 February 2026**

You may find the full description of the survey [Here](#).

IV. STOA high-level conference - Academic Freedom in Support of Democracy

Academic freedom is widely recognised as a key condition for functioning of open and democratic societies that adhere to the rule of law. Similarly, full realisation of academic freedom is unlikely when these values are being challenged. At the times when academic freedom and trust in science gradually erode in Europe, this annual STOA conference focuses on the relationship between academic freedom and democracy, as well as policy initiatives that support these values.

Organised by the Panel for the Future of Science and Technology (STOA), this conference will allow policy makers and scholars discuss the following questions: What is the role of academic freedom in democracy? What are the policies and policy initiatives that acknowledge their relationship and support them? What trends do we observe in the state of both democracy and academic freedom?

The event will be webstreamed.

Date: **4 March 2026**

Venue: **Hybrid**

You may register [Here](#).

V. Flexible Grants for Small Groups (FG12)

The Independent Social Research Foundation wishes to support independent-minded researchers to explore and present original research ideas which take new approaches, and suggest new solutions, to real world social problems. Such work would be unlikely to be funded by existing funding bodies.

Scholars from within Europe are eligible to apply as Principal Investigator(s) to lead a small group of 2-10 scholars (which may include graduate students). Applicants should hold a PhD and will normally have a permanent appointment at an institution of higher education and research. Applications may be made by those whose sole or principal post is a part-time equivalent. Independent scholars with an academic affiliation may also apply. The awards are intended as providing flexible support (for instance: relief from teaching &/or administration, research and travel expenses, fieldwork and practical work) for a period of (up to) one year, for the activities of the research group. Stipends are not provided.

Eligibility for ISRF funding opportunities is unaffected by Brexit. We continue to encourage applications from scholars working within Europe (geographically defined – so, including those at UK institutions). The amount of an award depends on the nature of the work proposed and individual circumstances – the ISRF expects applications for grants up to a maximum of €8,700 (or GBP equivalent).

Applicants are expected to submit their complete application electronically via the online application system, in English.

Application deadline: **13 March 2026**

For more information, please click [Here](#).

VI. Horizon Europe Research Infrastructures info day

This is an information event targeted at potential applicants to the 2026 calls of the Horizon Europe Research Infrastructures Work Programme 2026-2027, structured around five main destinations:

- **INFRADEV**, which aims to develop, consolidate and optimise the European Research Infrastructures landscape, and maintain global leadership.
- **INFRAEOSC**, with the objective of enabling an operational, open and FAIR European Open Science Cloud ecosystem.

- **INFRASERV**, with the objective of offering services supporting transnational access to state-of-the-art facilities for researchers, relevant to a large research domain or in support of societal challenges and EU priorities.
- **INFRATECH**, aiming to contribute to developing the next generation of scientific instrumentation, tools, methods and advanced digital solutions of Research Infrastructures.
- **INFRANET**, aiming to deliver state-of-the-art network connectivity, above-the-net innovative services and operational excellence for the National Research and Education Networks.

Ahead of the event, we advise you to watch the pre-recorded presentations that will be made available on this page and to send your questions in advance via [Sli.do](#), using **#infodayRI2026**, so that they can be prioritised and properly addressed during the live event.

Date: **18 March 2026**

Venue: **Online**

All sessions will be live streamed on this [Platform](#).

VII. Industry 5.0 Community of Practice Plenary Session 2026

The European Commission, Directorate-General for Research and Innovation, is organising the second Plenary Session of the Industry 5.0 Community of Practice. The event will bring together members of the Industry 5.0 Community of Practice (CoP 5.0), representing stakeholders from across Europe, from various sectors, including industry, academia and policy makers.

The objective is to take stock of the main achievements as well as to discuss Industry 5.0 in relation to current industry and policy priorities and industrial transformation needs, calling for competitiveness and accelerating technology and innovation uptake. Special emphasis will be given to gathering feedback from the CoP members regarding their commitment and sense of ownership in continuing the CoP.

The event will consist of plenary and breakout sessions. The plenary sessions will be web-streamed on the R&I Community Platform and will be open to all interested participants. Physical participation in Brussels will be restricted to members of the Industry 5.0 Community of Practice, and it will be by invitation only.

Date: **20 March 2026**

Venue: **Hybrid**

All sessions will be live streamed on this [Platform](#).

VIII. Horizon Europe info days - Cluster 2 Culture, creativity and inclusive society

This information day aims to inform (potential) applicants about the 2026 topics included in the Cluster 2 '*Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society*' work programme 2026-2027.

Under the Pillar 2 of Horizon Europe, Cluster 2 "*Culture, Creativity and Inclusive Society*" aims to meet EU goals and priorities on enhancing democratic governance and citizens' participation, on the safeguarding and promotion of cultural heritage and Cultural and Creative Industries (CCIs), and on responding to and shaping multifaceted social, economic, technological and cultural transformations.

Cluster 2 mobilises multidisciplinary expertise of European social sciences and humanities (SSH) for understanding fundamental contemporary transformations of society, economy, politics and culture. It aims to provide evidence-based policy options for a socially just and inclusive European green and digital transitions and a post-COVID 19 recovery.

Future projects should deliver on the three intervention areas matching the Horizon Europe Strategic Plan (2025-2027):

- Green transition
- Digital transition
- A more resilient, competitive, inclusive and democratic Europe.

Date: **26 March 2026**

Venue: **Online**

All sessions will be live streamed on this [Platform](#).

IX. Open calls and applications

Az alábbiakban tájékoztatást adunk azon nyitott eseményekről és pályázatokról, melyek az előző hírlevelekben megjelentek.

Name	Date	Venue	Deadline	Links
<i>Empowering Your Career: Exploring EARMA Grants & Awards</i>	12 February 2026		11 February 2026	Link
<i>Lump Sum Funding in Horizon Europe: How does it work? How to write a proposal?</i>	12 February 2026			Link
<i>Biomedical models hub for evidence-based decisions</i>	12 February 2026	Online		Link
<i>Global Science Equity Survey</i>			15 February 2026	Link
<i>The power of transdisciplinarity for innovation-led impact</i>	17 February 2026	Online		Link
<i>Workshop: Prize for governance innovation in energy communities</i>	18 February 2026			Link
<i>Successful R&I in Europe 2026 - 13th European Networking Event</i>	19-20 February 2026	Düsseldorf		Link
<i>Call for Nominations for the 42nd (2026) International Prize for Biology</i>			2 March 2026	Link
<i>Info Day – Horizon Europe Cluster 3 “civil security for society”</i>	4 March 2026	Brussels		Link
<i>OECD workshop: Research software as a global public good in the age of Artificial intelligence</i>	6 March 2026	Hybrid		Link
<i>BrainHealth calls</i>			10 March 2026	Link
<i>EDF Info Days 2026</i>	10-11 March 2026	Hybrid		Link
<i>Eurostars call for projects – March 2026</i>			19 March 2026	Link
<i>Industry 5.0 Community of Practice Plenary Session 2026</i>	20 March 2026			Link
<i>International Health Day 2026</i>	24-25 March 2026	Vienna, Austria		Link
<i>Health Tech Hub Styria 2026</i>	25-26 March 2026			Link
<i>Felhívás a Visegrádi Országok tudományos akadémiáinak 2026. évi Ifjúsági Díjára</i>			31 March 2026	Link
<i>MSCA COFUND 2026</i>			8 April 2026	Link
<i>MSCA Staff Exchanges 2026</i>			16 April 2026	Link

<i>CELTIC-NEXT call for projects – Spring 2026</i>			24 April 2026	Link
<i>ICGEB Research Grants 2026 CRP – Collaborative Research Programme</i>			30 April 2026	Link
<i>Save the date - EARMA Conference 2026</i>	5-7 May 2026	Utrecht, The Netherlands		Link
<i>Global Innovation Summit 2026</i>	6 May 2026	Basel, Switzerland		Link
<i>20th world congress of basic and clinical pharmacology 2026</i>	12-17 July 2026	Melbourne, Australia		Link

*Kérjük szíves közreműködésüket abban, hogy a tájékoztató azon részei, amelyek a kutatóhely számára relevánsak, megküldésre kerüljenek annak vezetősége, illetve minden érdeklődő és érdekelt munkatárs részére
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